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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, COMPTROLLER
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Public Affairs Guidance on Departmental Outreach Activities During a Lapse of Appropriations

In the event of a lapse of appropriations, all Departmental community and public outreach activities will cease. Outreach activities include, but are not limited to, flyovers, aerial demonstrations, jump team demonstrations, local and non-local military band performances and recordings, local and non-local ceremonial unit demonstrations (e.g., drill teams, marching units), color guards, Pentagon Tours, and speaking engagements (unless specifically related to excepted operations).

This cessation will remain in effect throughout the lapse in appropriations.

In addition, all temporary duty travel (e.g., TDY, TAD) in support of outreach activities will be cancelled, and travelers will return to home station in a safe and orderly fashion.

I encourage the broadest dissemination of this memorandum throughout the public affairs community.

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